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REMARKS

Claims 1-16 were presented for examination in the present application. The instant amendment cancels claims 1-5, 8-9, and 16 without prejudice. Thus, claims 6-7 and 10-15 are presented for consideration upon entry of the instant amendment.

Applicant notes with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 11-13. Claim 11 has been amended to include the elements of claims 5, 8, and 9. In addition, claims 6-7, 10, and 14-15 have been amended to now depend from allowable claim 11. Thus, claims 6-7 and 10-15 are believed to be in condition for allowance.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Such action is solicited. If for any reason the Examiner feels that consultation with Applicant's attorney would be helpful in the advancement of the prosecution, the Examiner is invited to call the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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